

Basic Detail Report



Rings of Saturn

Date

2007

Primary Maker

Isabel Nolan

Medium

Cotton, linen, embroidery silk, thread (textile component)

Plastic straws, copper rods and wire, fibreglass and paint

(3D component)

Dimensions

101 x 117 cm

Description

Born in Dublin in and currently based here, Isabel Nolan works in a range of media that includes painting, drawing, sculpture, animation and most recently, embroidery and fabric hangings. Drawing equally on traditions of abstraction, figuration and the 'imagetext' the world evoked in Nolan's work is a world of intimacies and oddities, of quiet desperation and compensatory joys. Usually modest in scale these works have little time for bombast or monumentality, preferring to explore by accumulating increments a kaleidoscopic array of wonders and commonplace feelings such as loneliness, tenderness, frustration, fear and hope. The mundane particularities of the real are repeatedly enlivened in her work by the workings of a spirited, off-beat imagination.